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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM ROBINSON

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SUBJECT: SAUDI PARTICIPATION IN EMERGENCY AID TO EGYPT

REF: TOSEC 020135 (REPEAT OF JEKKA 3821)

1. APPROACH OUTLINED PARA 1 REFTEL IS APPROVED, SUBJECT TO INCREASING \$200 TO \$250 MILLION.

2. IN SEEKING AUTHORIZATION FOR US TO MAKE ANNOUNCEMENT, YOU SHOULD SEEK SAUDI CONCURRENCE IN SOMETHING LIKE TEXT IN PARA 3 REFTEL BUT MAKE CLEAR THAT FINAL LANGUAGE WILL HAVE TO EMERGE FROM DISCUSSIONS IN SALZBURG AND WE, THEREFORE, NEED FLEXIBILITY.

3. FYI, WE OURSELVES MAY DECIDE NOT TO GO AS FAR AS LANGUAGE REFTEL BECAUSE OF STATE OF OUR AID RECOMMENDATION TO CONGRESS. WE ARE NOT THINKING ALONG LINES OF LANGUAGE LIKE FOLLOWING:

QUOTE: U.S. WORKING CLOSELY WITH GOVERNMENT OF EGYPT, IS PREPARED TO CONCERT URGENTLY WITH OTHER INTERESTED GOVERNMENTS AND WITH IBRD AND IMF TO HELP MEET EGYPT'S SHORT-TERM FINANCIAL NEEDS IN SUCH A WAY AS TO STRENGTHEN

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FOUNDATION FOR LONGER TERM PROGRESS. UNQUOTE

HOWEVER, THIS SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND COULD INCLUDE
SPECIFIC MENTION OF SAUDI ARABIA AND IRAN, SO IT WOULD BE
USEFUL TO HAVE SAUDI AGREEMENT TO LANGUAGE YOU
PROPOSE AS LONG AS WE HAVE FLEXIBILITY TO CHANGE IT.
END FYI. KISSINGER

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